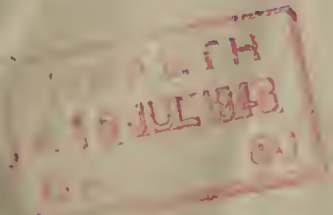


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A N N U A L     R E P O R T

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MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

I HAVE THE PLEASURE TO PRESENT MY ANNUAL REPORT ON THE HEALTH OF YOUR DISTRICT.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

AREA (IN ACRES).....	63,717.
POPULATION CENSUS, 1921.....	23,196.
"                    "      1931.....	23,544.
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION 1931..	23,780.
"                    "                    "      1947..	24,770.
NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES.....	6,827.
RATEABLE VALUE.....	£98,308.
SUM REPRESENTED BY A PENNY RATE.....	£409.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

THE POPULATION IS PARTLY INDUSTRIAL AND PARTLY AGRARIAN, THE MAIN INDUSTRIES BEING COAL MINING, GRANITE QUARRYING AND, TO A SMALL EXTENT, HOSIERY MANUFACTURE. THESE ARE ALL SITUATED IN THE NORTH OF THE DISTRICT.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS, LEGITIMATE.	M.250.	F.259.	TOTAL. 509.
BIRTHS, ILLEGITIMATE.	M. 16.	F. 14.	TOTAL. 30.
	<u>M.266.</u>	<u>F.273.</u>	<u>TOTAL. 539.</u>
STILLBIRTHS.	6 LEGITIMATE.	5 ILLEGITIMATE.	TOTAL. 11.
BIRTH RATE.....			21.7.
"          "      FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.....			20.5.
DEATHS.	M. 146.	F. 133..	TOTAL..... 279.
CRUDE DEATH RATE.....			11.2.
DEATH RATE FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.....			12.
DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL SEPSIS.....			0.
OTHER PUERPERAL CAUSES.....			0.
DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE:-			
LEGITIMATE...31.	ILLEGITIMATE... 1.	TOTAL:-	32.
INFANT MORTALITY RATE PER 1,000 BIRTHS.....			59.3.
"          "          "      FOR ENGLAND AND WALES...			41.
DEATHS FROM CANCER. (ALL AGES).....			42.



VITAL STATISTICS (CONT)

DEATHS FROM MEASLES. (ALL AGES).....	0.
" " WHOOPING COUGH (ALL AGES).....	0.
" " DIARRHOEA (UNDER 2 YEARS).....	4.

CAUSES OF DEATH. (CIVILIANS ONLY)

<u>CAUSES OF DEATH.</u>	<u>MALES.</u>	<u>FEMALES.</u>
ALL CAUSES.....	146.	133.
SCARLET FEVER.....	0.	0.
MEASLES.....	0.	0.
WHOOPING COUGH.....	0.	0.
DIPHTHERIA.....	0.	0.
INFLUENZA.....	0.	1.
POLIOMYELITIS.....	0.	1.
ENCEPHALITIS LETHARGICA.....	0.	0.
CEREBRO SPINAL FEVER.....	1.	0.
RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS.....	3.	4.
OTHER TUBERCULOSIS.....	0.	2.
SYPHILIS.....	0.	1.
CANCER, MALIGNANT DISEASE.....	21.	21.
DIABETES.....	0.	2.
INTRA CRANIAL VASCULAR LESIONS.....	12.	18.
HEART DISEASE.....	34.	30.
OTHER CIRCULATORY DISEASES.....	9.	7.
BRONCHITIS.....	8.	6.
PNEUMONIA (ALL FORMS).....	7.	7.
OTHER RESPIRATORY DISEASES.....	2.	1.
ULCER OF STOMACH OR DUODENUM.....	2.	0.
DIARRHOEA (UNDER 2 YEARS).....	3.	1.
APPENDICITIS AND TYPHLITIS.....	1.	0.
OTHER DIGESTIVE DISEASES.....	3.	1.
ACUTE AND CHRONIC NEPHRITIS.....	6.	1.
CONGENITAL CAUSES.....	7.	5.
PUERPERAL SEPSIS.....	0.	0.
OTHER MATERNAL CAUSES.....	0.	2.
PREMATURE BIRTHS.....	6.	3.
SUICIDE.....	3.	0.
ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.....	2.	4.
OTHER DEATHS FROM VIOLENCE.....	1.	3.
ALL OTHER CAUSES.....	15.	12.





GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

HOSPITALS PROVIDED OR SUBSIDIZED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OR COUNTY COUNCIL:-

A. 1. FEVER.

THE ISOLATION HOSPITALS ARE CONTROLLED BY THE LEICESTERSHIRE ISOLATION HOSPITALS COMMITTEE. PATIENTS ARE SENT TO SUCH HOSPITALS AS HAVE BEDS AVAILABLE FOR THE DISEASE FROM WHICH THEY ARE SUFFERING. THE PRINCIPAL HOSPITAL IS SITUATED IN THIS DISTRICT.

2. SMALL POX.

THERE ARE TWO HOSPITALS PROVIDED FOR THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE.

B. 1.)

2.) TUBERCULOSIS, MATERNITY AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS.

ACCOMMODATION IS CONTROLLED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE MATTER IS DEALT WITH COMPREHENSIVELY IN THE COUNTY REPORT. THE COUNTY SANATORIUM IS SITUATED AT MARKFIELD IN THIS DISTRICT.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

(A) FOR INFECTIOUS CASES.

MOTOR AMBULANCES ARE PROVIDED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISOLATION HOSPITALS.

(B) FOR NON-INFECTIOUS CASES, AND ACCIDENTS.

IN APRIL 1941, THE COUNCIL ACCEPTED THE GIFT OF THE "WOLLASTON AMBULANCE" FROM MRS. WOLLASTON OF SHENTON HALL. THE LEICESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY AND OTHER VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS ALSO PROVIDE FACILITIES.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

ALL UNDER THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY.

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IS A PART TIME OFFICIAL BUT DOES NOT ENGAGE IN PRIVATE PRACTICE.

THE CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR, WHO IS ALSO SANITARY SURVEYOR, DEVOTES THE WHOLE OF HIS TIME TO HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES, AS ALSO DOES THE ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTOR.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING IN THE HOME.

THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S HEALTH VISITORS VISIT CASES IN THIS DISTRICT. THERE ARE DISTRICT NURSES IN ALL THE LARGER PARISHES.

MIDWIVES.

THE SUPERVISION OF MIDWIVES IS VESTED IN THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

CHEMICAL WORK.

ANALYSES OF FOODS AND DRUGS ARE CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY ANALYST.





LEGISLATION IN FORCE.

BYELAWS WITH RESPECT TO NEW BUILDINGS WERE ADOPTED FOR THE WHOLE DISTRICT IN 1925.

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SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. WATER SUPPLY.

(A) THE PIPED WATER SUPPLIES FOR THE DISTRICT HAVE BEEN SATISFACTORY IN QUALITY AND QUANTITY. WELL SUPPLIES HAVE BEEN IN PART, UNSATISFACTORY IN QUALITY AND INSUFFICIENT IN QUANTITY, IN PARTS OF THE DISTRICT.

SHORTAGES HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCED IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE DISTRICT AND WATER HAS BEEN CARTED.

(B) PIPED SUPPLIES - RESULTS OF SAMPLES TAKEN FOR ANALYSIS:-

RAW WATER.				TREATED WATER GOING INTO SUPPLY.			
BACTERIOLOGICAL.		CHEMICAL.		BACTERIOLOGICAL.		CHEMICAL.	
SATIS-FACTORY.	UNISATIS-FACTORY.	SATIS-FACTORY.	UNSATIS-FACTORY.	SATIS-FACTORY.	UNSATIS-FACTORY.	SATIS-FACTORY.	UNSATIS-FACTORY.
	.....	.....	N I L	.....	.....	.....	.....

(C) WATERS LIABLE TO HAVE PLUMBO-SOLVENT ACTION:-

1. AREAS CONCERNED:- (ASSURANCE GIVEN BY THE LEICESTER CITY WATER DEPARTMENT, THAT IN NO PART OF THEIR AREA OF SUPPLY IS CONTAMINATION BY LEAD. (PLUMBO-SOLVENT ACTION LIABLE TO TAKE PLACE. ALL WATER IS TREATED. (OTHER AREAS - NOT AFFECTED.
2. FACTS AS TO
3. PRECAUTIONS TAKEN.
4. NO. OF SAMPLES TAKEN FOR THIS PURPOSE:- NIL.
5. RESULTS OF ANALYSES OF THE ABOVE SAMPLES:- NIL.

(D) ACTION TAKEN IN RESPECT OF ANY FORM OF CONTAMINATION OF WATER SUPPLIES IN THE DISTRICT:- NIL.

(E) WATER SUPPLIES FROM PUBLIC MAINS:- LARGER PARISHES ONLY

DIRECT TO THE HOUSES.		BY MEANS OF STANDPIPES.	
No. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.	No. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.
3,690.	13,800.	184.	725.

NO. OF PARISHES WITH PIPED WATER SUPPLY:-

- (A) FROM PUBLIC MAINS:- 11. (B) FROM PRIVATE RESERVOIRS:- NIL.  
(C) NO. OF PARISHES WITHOUT A PIPED SUPPLY OF WATER:- 9.  
(D) PARTICULARS OF EXTENSION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES:-

PIPED SUPPLIES TO SERVE PARTS OF THE PARISHES OF TWYCCROSS, AND SHACKERSTONE, HAVE BEEN PROVIDED.



PIPED SUPPLIES ALSO PROVIDED TO PART OF STANTON UNDER BARDON (WITHIN THE CIVIL PARISH OF MARKFIELD).

SHORT EXTENSIONS IN STAPLETON AND DESFORD.

(E) NO. OF CASES IN WHICH PIPED SUPPLY WAS SUBSTITUTED FOR WELL WATER:- 556.

WATER SUPPLIES FROM WELLS:-

NO. OF SAMPLES TAKEN FOR ANALYSIS.			
SATISFACTORY.		UNSATISFACTORY.	
CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.	CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.
3.	NIL.	51.	NIL.

NO. OF WELLS CLOSED:- 26. NO. OF WELLS CLEANSED ETC.;- 6.

NO. OF HOUSES RELYING ON WELLS SUPPLIES:- 3,265 (APPROXIMATELY)

#### POSTWAR PROPOSALS.

PROGRESS DURING YEAR ON ALL POSTWAR SCHEMES:-

THE CROWN WATER SCHEME HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

THE STANTON UNDER BARDON (INTERIM SCHEME) HAS ALSO BEEN COMPLETED.

THE BARLESTONE, NEWBOLD VERDON, NAILSTONE & OSBASTONE WATER SCHEME HAS RECENTLY BEEN COMMENCED. IN SHORT, THE POSITION IS VERY SATISFACTORY.

## 2. SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

NO. OF CESSPOOLS CONSTRUCTED DURING THE YEAR..... 12.

NO. OF CESSPOOLS ABOLISHED DURING THE YEAR..... NIL.

TOTAL NO. IN DISTRICT ON 31ST. DECEMBER 1947..... 317.

EXTENSIONS TO SEWERS, NEW WORKS AND IMPROVEMENTS DURING YEAR:-

SHORT EXTENSIONS PROVIDED TO HOUSING SITES AT DESFORD, RATBY, IBSTOCK, GROBY, BAGWORTH AND STANTON UNDER BARDON.

SMALL WORKS PROVIDED TO SERVE NEW LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSES AT HIGHAM ON THE HILL AND THORNTON.

NO. OF PARISHES WITH EFFICIENT SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS..... 9.

NO. OF PARISHES WHERE NEW SCHEMES HAVE BEEN FORMULATED.... 8.

#### POSTWAR PROPOSALS.

PROGRESS TO DATE OF POSTWAR SCHEMES OF SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL:-

MINISTRY OF HEALTH PUBLIC INQUIRIES HAVE TAKEN PLACE WITH REGARD TO TWO POSTWAR SCHEMES AT HIGHAM ON THE HILL AND NEWBOLD VERDON. OTHER SCHEMES ARE IN PROCESS OF BEING CONSIDERED AND PUBLIC INQUIRIES ARE TO FOLLOW.

## 3. CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

TOTAL NO. IN DISTRICT ON 31ST. DECEMBER 1947:-

(1) PRIVIES:- 2. (2) PAIL CLOSETS:- 3,097. (3) W.C's 3,281.

NO. OF CLOSETS CONVERTED TO THE WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM DURING THE YEAR:-

(A) PRIVIES:- NIL. (B) PAILS:- 94.

NO. OF PRIVIES (MIDDENS) CONVERTED TO PAIL CLOSETS DURING YEAR:- 1.



FROM THE ABOVE STATEMENT IT MAY BE SEEN THAT 94 PAIL CLOSETS WERE CONVERTED TO THE WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM DURING THE YEAR. WHILST THIS IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, PROGRESS IN THIS REFORM IS FAR TOO SLOW.

I AM CONCERNED TO KNOW THAT IN CERTAIN VILLAGES WHERE SEWERS HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED AND WHERE THERE IS A GOOD WATER SUPPLY, MANY LANDLORDS FAIL TO MAKE THE NECESSARY CONNECTIONS AND SO DEPRIVE THEIR TENANTS OF THE SANITARY BENEFITS THAT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED. THIS OMISSION HAS A FINANCIAL AS WELL AS A SANITARY ASPECT, FOR IT INVOLVES THE PERPETUATION OF NIGHTSOIL COLLECTION, A SYSTEM WHICH TO-DAY IS CARRIED OUT AT GREAT EXPENSE FOR COMPARATIVELY FEW PEOPLE.

TO REMEDY THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS, AN INTENSIVE DRIVE HAS BEEN RECENTLY STARTED TO GET ALL THE HOUSES IN THESE VILLAGES ON THE WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM. A PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY AND PERSUASION IS ALREADY PROVING VERY EFFECTIVE.

MEANS FOR THE CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS, PRIVIES, ASHPITS AND CESSPOOLS:-

CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS AND CESSPOOLS NOT UNDERTAKEN BY LOCAL AUTHORITY.

ASHPITS (NOW ONLY THOSE REMAINING AT BAGWORTH) ARE EMPTIED AS NECESSARY ALONG WITH ORDINARY HOUSE REFUSE.

CESSPOOLS ARE NOT EMPTIED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY WITHOUT PAYMENT.

#### 4. PUBLIC CLEANSING.

HOUSE REFUSE IS REMOVED BY DIRECT LABOUR UNDER A CENTRALISED SCAVENGING SCHEME.

NUMBER AND TYPE OF VEHICLES EMPLOYED:- THREE. REFUSE COLLECTORS.  
(1 KARRIER BANTAM AND 2 DENNIS REFUSE COLLECTORS)

FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION:- WEEKLY.

NO. OF PARISHES COVERED BY ROUTINE COLLECTION:- 20 (WHOLE DISTRICT)

#### DISPOSAL OF HOUSE REFUSE.

(A) NO. OF CONTROLLED TIPS.....	2.
(B) NO. OF CRUDE TIPS.....	5.
(C) INCINERATION.....	NIL.

#### 5. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

TOTAL NO. OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED..... 220.

TOTAL NO. OF LEFECTS OR NUISANCES DISCOVERED..... 140.







INSPECTIONS MADE.

	FIRST INSPECTIONS.	RE-VISITS.
ANIMAL KEEPING.	7.	4.
BAKEHOUSES.	8.	6.
DAIRIES AND COWSHEDS.	138.	72.
DRAINAGE WORKS.	162.	74.
DWELLING HOUSES (ALL PURPOSES)	1,220.	340.
FOOD PREMISES.	10.	18.
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	1.	12.
RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION.	170.	94.
REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.	96.	31.
SCHOOLS.	6.	8.
SHOPS.	22.	14.
SLAUGHTER HOUSES & MEAT INSPECTION.	242.	17.
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.,	27.	8.
VERMINOUS PREMISES & SCABIES.	12.	9.
WATER SUPPLIES.	288.	121.
WORKSHOPS ETC.,	20.	13.
OTHER INSPECTIONS.	248.	65.
TOTAL.	2,677.	906.

NOTICES.

PRELIMINARY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	24.
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	-	211.
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	-	205.
STATUTORY ACTION NECESSARY.	-	36.
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	30.

STATUTORY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	16.
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	-	36.
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	-	40.
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	12.



SUMMARY ACTION.

No. of SUMMONS ISSUED.	No. of CONVICTIONS OBTAINED.
NIL.	NIL.

6. SHOPS.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN DURING THE YEAR UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE SHOPS ACT 1934:-

	OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	DEFECTS FOUND.	DEFECTS REMEDIED.	OUTSTANDING 31ST. DEC.
SANITARY CONVENIENCES.	-	7.	7.	-
TEMPERATURE.	-	-	-	-
VENTILATION.	-	-	-	-

7. CAMPING SITES.

No. of SITES IN AREA USED FOR CAMPING PURPOSES DURING YEAR:- NIL.

No. of CAMPING SITES FOR WHICH LICENCES HAVE BEEN ISSUED:- NIL.

ESTIMATED MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CAMPER'S RESIDENT IN AREA DURING SUMMER SEASON:- NIL.

8. REGULATED BUILDINGS.

REGULATED BUILDINGS.	No. IN DISTRICT.	No. OF INSPECTIONS.	ACTION TAKEN.	GENERAL CONDITIONS.
COMMON LODGING HOUSES.	NIL.	-	-	-
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.,	22.	35.	4.	FAIR.
CANAL BOATS.	NIL.	-	-	-
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	1.	13.	NIL.	-

9. ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

No. of COUNCIL HOUSES INFESTED..... 4.

No. of OTHER DWELLING HOUSES FOUND INFESTED..... NIL.

No. of HOUSES DISINFESTED..... 4.

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR DISINFESTATION:-

INTERNAL WOODWORK STRIPPED AND CIMEX BLOCKS USED.

CARRIED OUT BY LOCAL AUTHORITY..... 4.

CARRIED OUT BY CONTRACTOR..... NIL.

NAME OF FUMIGANT AND/OR INSECTICIDE USED:-

CIMEX BLOCKS AND LAWVERCIDE.

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR ENSURING THE TENANTS' BELONGINGS ARE FREE FROM VERMIN BEFORE REMOVAL TO COUNCIL HOUSE:-

HOUSING MANAGER EXAMINES ALL GOODS AND CHATTELS BEFORE RE-HOUSING.

MEASURES TAKEN FOR THE SUPERVISION OR EDUCATION OF TENANTS TO PREVENT INFESTATION OR RE-INFESTATION:-

PERIODIC INSPECTIONS.



10. RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN:-

ALL COUNCIL REFUSE TIPS UNDER CONTRACT WITH AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE. BAITING IS CARRIED OUT IN SEWERS, AT SEWAGE WORKS ETC., BY COUNCIL STAFF, REGULARLY. OTHER INFESTATIONS - ADVICE GIVEN.

11. SCHOOLS.

No. of SCHOOLS DISINFECTED.....NIL.

PARTICULARS OF ANY OTHER ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH SCHOOLS.....NIL.

12. SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

No. in AREA:-

(A) PUBLICLY OWNED:- NIL. (B) PRIVATELY OWNED:- 3.

No. of INSPECTIONS:- 6.

13. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY:-

COWKEEPERS.

No. ON REGISTER.	No. OF INSPECTIONS.	No. OF CONTRAVENTIONS.			
		OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	FOUND DURING YEAR.	REMEDIED DURING YEAR.	OUTSTANDING ON 31ST. DEC.
382.	227.	5.	26.	27.	4.

DAIRYMEN OR PURVEYORS OF MILK (OTHER THAN COWKEEPERS.)

No. ON REGISTER.	No. OF INSPECTIONS.	No. OF CONTRAVENTIONS.			
		OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	FOUND DURING YEAR.	REMEDIED DURING YEAR.	OUTSTANDING ON 31ST. DEC.
144.	39.	1.	6.	5.	2.

TOTAL CONTRAVENTIONS.

	OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	FOUND DURING YEAR.	REMEDIED DURING YEAR.	OUTSTANDING ON 31ST. DECEMBER.
CLEANSING.	1.	5.	4.	2.
STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS.	4.	21.	23.	2.
UTENSILS.	1.	5.	4.	2.
OTHER.	-	1.	1.	-







MILK SAMPLING.

CLASS.	TOTAL NO. OF SAMPLES, TAKEN FOR BACTERIO- LOGICAL EXAMINATION.	SATIS- FACTORY.	UN- SATIS- FACTORY.
"TUBERCULIN ) DESIGNATED. TESTED." ) "ACCREDITED" ) "PASTEURISED" )	LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.		
ORDINARY.	11.	11.	-
STERILISED.	NIL.	-	-
HEAT TREATED.	NIL.	-	-

IN ADDITION 48 SEDIMENT TESTS WERE MADE.

THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) REGULATIONS 1936 TO 1946.

No. of LICENCES ISSUED IN RESPECT OF:-								
"TUBERCULIN TESTED"			"ACCREDITED"			"PASTEURISED"		
BOTT- LING.	DISTRIBUTION.		BOTT- LING.	DISTRIBUTION.		PASTEUR- ISING PLANTS.	RETAIL DISTRIBUTION.	
	DEALERS.	SUPPLE- MENTARY.		DEALERS.	SUPPLE- MENTARY.		DEAL- ERS.	SUPPLE- MENTARY.
-	1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.

LICENSED PASTEURISING PLANTS.

MAKE & TYPE.	(HOLDER OR H.T.S.T)	CAPACITY. GALLS PER HOUR.	TEMPERATURE CONTROL.
NIL.		NIL.	HAND ) AUTOMATIC ) NIL.

No. of PLANTS FOR HEATING MILK NOT LICENSED AS PASTEURISING  
PLANTS.....NIL.

No. of AUTHORITIES ISSUED BY MINISTRY OF FOOD UNDER REGULATION 55G:-

(1) "HEAT-TREATMENT":- NIL. (2) "STERILISATION":- NIL.

ICE CREAM.

No. of PREMISES REGISTERED:-

(A) MANUFACTURE AND RETAIL..... 4. (PROVISIONAL)  
(B) MANUFACTURE ONLY..... NIL.  
(C) RETAIL ONLY..... NIL.

No. of SAMPLES:- NIL. RESULTS:- GRADE 1. )  
GRADE 2. )  
GRADE 3. ) NIL.  
GRADE 4. )

PREMISES HAVE ONLY BEEN APPROVED PROVISIONALLY, ALTERATIONS TO  
COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT.



MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

No. OF REGIONAL SLAUGHTER HOUSES IN AREA.....NIL.  
 No. OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED IN DO.....NIL.  
 No. OF ANIMALS EXAMINED IN DO. ....NIL.  
 No. OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED ELSEWHERE.....2,331.  
 No. OF ANIMALS EXAMINED ELSEWHERE..... 230.  
 No. OF INSPECTIONS OF MEAT AT TIME OF SLAUGHTER..... 121.  
 No. OF KNACKER YARDS IN AREA.....NIL.  
 No. OF VISITS TO KNACKERS' YARDS.....NIL.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	CATTLE EXCLUD- ING Cows.	Cows.	CALVES.	SHEEP & LAMBS.	PIGS.	TOTAL WEIGHT IN LBS.
NUMBER KILLED (IF KNOWN)	-	-	-	-	2331.	NOT KNOWN.
No. INSPECTED.	-	-	-	-	12.	DO.
<u>ALL DISEASES (EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS)</u> WHOLE CARCASSES CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	-	-
CARCASSES OF WHICH SOME PART OF ORGAN WAS CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	-	-
PERCENTAGE OF NUMBER INSPECTED AFFECTED WITH DISEASE OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS.	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>TUBERCULOSIS ONLY.</u> WHOLE CARCASS CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	-	-
CARCASSES OF WHICH SOME PART OF ORGAN WAS CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	8.	-
PERCENTAGE OF THE NUMBER INSPECTED AFFECTED WITH TUBERCULOSIS.	-	-	-	-	6.6%	-

MEAT STALLS.

No. OF INSPECTIONS..... NIL.

MEAT SHOPS, MEAT STORES ETC.,

No. OF INSPECTIONS..... 22.

PLACES WHERE FOOD, (OTHER THAN MEAT) IS KEPT OR  
 PREPARED FOR SALE. No. OF INSPECTIONS..... 10.



14. HOUSING.

(A) NEW HOUSES.

TOTAL NO. OF APPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL  
HOUSES AT END OF YEAR.....1,300. (APPROX.)

HOUSES COMPLETED DURING YEAR BY:	TYPE.			AV. COST PER HOUSE.	AV. RENT INC OR EXCLUSIVE OF RATES.
	PREFABRICATED TEMPORARY.	PERMANENT.	PERMANENT.		
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	46.	-	50.	£1,090.	10/6 PER WEEK (EXCLU- SIVE OF RATES.)
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	-	38.	£1,200.	£52. PER ANNUM (EXCLUSIVE OF RATES).
HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION AT END OF YEAR BY:-					
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	-	8.	37.	£1,090.	-
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	-	18.	£1,200.	-

TOTAL NO. OF POSTWAR HOUSES COMPLETED BY:-

(A) LOCAL AUTHORITY..... 186.

(B) PRIVATE ENTERPRISE..... 57.

IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT THE COST OF THE HOUSES ERECTED BY THE BOSWORTH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL IS WELL BELOW THAT OF SIMILAR HOUSES PUT UP BY NEIGHBOURING AUTHORITIES.

THE NUMBER OF POSTWAR HOUSES COMPLETED DOES NOT INCLUDE 108 TEMPORARY HOUSES ON THE LINDLEY AERODROME ESTATE, ACCOMMODATING ABOUT 450 PERSONS. THESE WOODEN BUILDINGS CONSIST OF FROM THREE TO FIVE GOOD ROOMS WITH ALL THE USUAL SERVICES PROVIDED. THEY ARE CERTAINLY FAR BETTER THAN MANY OLD VILLAGE COTTAGES.

(B) INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR.

1. (A) TOTAL NUMBER OF DWELLING HOUSES INSPECTED FOR HOUSING DEFECTS (UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH OR HOUSING ACTS)..... 264.

(B) NO. OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE..... 301.

2. (A) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES (INCLUDED UNDER SUB-HEAD (1) ABOVE WHICH WERE INSPECTED AND RECORDED UNDER THE HOUSING CONSOLIDATED REGULATIONS 1925 AND 1932..... NIL.

(B) NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE..... NIL.

3. NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES FOUND TO BE IN A STATE SO DANGEROUS OR INJURIOUS TO HEALTH AS TO BE UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION..... 5.

4. NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES (EXCLUSIVE OF THOSE REFERRED TO UNDER THE PRECEDING SUB-HEAD) FOUND NOT TO BE IN ALL RESPECTS REASONABLY FIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION...44.







(C) REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES.

No. of DEFECTIVE DWELLING HOUSES RENDERED FIT IN  
CONSEQUENCE OF INFORMAL ACTION BY THE LOCAL  
AUTHORITY OFFICERS..... 36.

(D) ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR.

(A) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 9,10 AND 16 OF THE  
HOUSING ACT 1936:-

1. No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH  
NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING REPAIRS.....NIL.
2. No. of DWELLING HOUSES WHICH WERE RENDERED  
FIT AFTER SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:-
  - (A) BY OWNERS.....NIL.
  - (B) BY LOCAL AUTHORITY IN DEFAULT  
OF OWNERS.....NIL.

(B) PROCEEDINGS UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS:-

1. No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH  
NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING DEFECTS TO  
BE REMEDIED..... 46.
2. No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE  
REMEDIED AFTER SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:-
  - (A) BY OWNERS..... 31.
  - (B) BY LOCAL AUTHORITY IN DEFAULT  
OF OWNERS.....NIL.

(C) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 11 AND 13 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-

1. No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH  
DEMOLITION ORDERS WERE MADE.....NIL.
2. No. of DWELLING HOUSES DEMOLISHED IN PURSUANCE  
OF DEMOLITION ORDERS.....NIL.

(D) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 12 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-

1. No. of SEPARATE TENEMENTS OR UNDERGROUND ROOMS  
IN RESPECT OF WHICH CLOSING ORDERS WERE MADE....NIL.
2. No. of SEPARATE TENEMENTS OR UNDERGROUND ROOMS  
IN RESPECT OF WHICH CLOSING ORDERS WERE DETERMINED  
THE TENEMENT OR ROOM HAVING BEEN RENDERED FIT...NIL.

(E) HOUSING ACT 1936 - PART IV - OVERCROWDING.

- (A) 1. No. of DWELLINGS OVERCROWDED AT END OF YEAR...NOT KNOWN.
2. No. of FAMILIES DWELLING THEREIN..... -
3. No. of PERSONS DWELLING THEREIN..... -

(B) No. of NEW CASES OF OVERCROWDING REPORTED DURING YEAR..10.

- (C) 1. No. of CASES OF OVERCROWDING RELIEVED DURING YEAR...136.
2. No. of PERSONS CONCERNED IN SUCH CASES.....630.

(D) PARTICULARS OF ANY CASES IN WHICH DWELLING HOUSES HAVE  
AGAIN BECOME OVERCROWDED AFTER THE LOCAL AUTHORITY HAVE  
TAKEN STEPS FOR THE ABATEMENT OF OVERCROWDING:-

IT IS KNOWN THAT 15 SUCH CASES HAVE OCCURRED. IT IS  
VERY DIFFICULT TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THE HOUSING ACT  
AS REGARDS OVERCROWDING UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS, BUT EVERY  
EFFORT IS MADE TO DISCOURAGE THIS, EXCEPT IN CASES WHERE THE  
LANDLORD DELIBERATELY ACQUIESCES.



- (E) ANY OTHER PARTICULARS WITH RESPECT TO GENERAL HOUSING CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE SANITARY INSPECTOR MAY CONSIDER IT DESIRABLE TO REPORT:-

AS MORE LABOUR AND MATERIALS BECOME AVAILABLE, IT IS HOPED TO IMPROVE THE GENERAL HOUSING CONDITIONS AND IT IS EXPECTED BY THE END OF 1948 THAT 50% OF THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF HOUSES REQUIRED FOR ALL NEEDS IN THE DISTRICT, WILL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND OCCUPIED.

F. HOUSING SURVEY.

(A) TOTAL NO. OF HOUSES TO BE SURVEYED.....6,082.

(B) R.V. LIMIT OF HOUSES TO BE SURVEYED.....£16.

(C) NO. OF HOUSES SURVEYED TO 31ST. DECEMBER 1947.....6,082.

(D) CLASSIFICATION:-  
1..... 2,198.  
2..... 2,651.  
3..... 644.  
4..... 344.  
5..... 245.

(E) TOTAL NO. OF OCCUPIED HOUSES IN DISTRICT.....6,827.

(F) TOTAL NO. OF COUNCIL HOUSES OCCUPIED IN DISTRICT.... 627.

15. STAFF.

NO. OF STAFF. (A) QUALIFIED..... 3.

(B) UNQUALIFIED..... -

(C) CLERICAL..... 1.

INCREASE OR DECREASE IN STAFF DURING YEAR..... -

PRESENT STAFF IS NOT CONSIDERED ADEQUATE FOR PROPER PERFORMANCE OF ALL DUTIES.

16. FACTORIES.

THERE ARE TEN FACTORIES IN THE AREA, 32 INSPECTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

DURING THE YEAR 1947, 402 CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE WERE NOTIFIED AS COMPARED WITH 214 CASES IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR. THIS INCREASE IN NOTIFICATIONS WAS LARGELY DUE TO MORE CASES OF MEASLES AND WHOOPING COUGH. IN 1946 THERE WERE 56 CASES OF MEASLES AS COMPARED WITH 227 CASES IN 1947.

SCARLET FEVER HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT LESS PREVALENT THAN IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR AND THERE WAS ONLY ONE CASE OF DIPHTHERIA. FOR THE FIRST YEAR ON RECORD IT CAN BE SAID NO CHILD UNDER 15 YEARS OF AGE HAS SUFFERED FROM DIPHTHERIA IN THIS AREA.

UNDER OUR IMMUNISATION SCHEME EVERY REMOTE HAMLET AND VILLAGE HAS BEEN VISITED DURING THE YEAR AND FACILITIES OFFERED TO THE RESIDENTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PROTECTIVE TREATMENT. THE WOLLASTON AMBULANCE AS A MOBILE UNIT AGAIN PROVED TO BE VERY HELPFUL. DURING THE YEAR 474 CHILDREN RECEIVED TREATMENT; 452 UNDER FIVE YEARS AND 22 BETWEEN 5 AND 15 YEARS. IN ADDITION 249 CHILDREN RECEIVED A THIRD INJECTION ON REACHING THE AGE OF 5.

THE FOLLOWING CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE CAME UNDER OBSERVATION DURING THE YEAR:-



DISEASE.	TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED.	CASES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.	TOTAL DEATHS.
DIPHThERIA.	1.	1.	0.
SCARLET FEVER.	51.	39.	0.
PNEUMONIA.	15.	0.	14.
ERYSIPELAS.	2.	0.	0.
PUERPERAL PYREXIA.	2.	1.	0.
CEREBRO SPINAL MENINGITIS.	1.	1.	1.
MEASLES.	227.	1.	0.
WHOOPING COUGH.	97.	1.	0.
DYSENTERY.	3.	3.	0.
POLIOMYELITIS.	2.	2.	1.
PARA-TYPHOID.	1.	1.	0.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS WERE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR:-

AGE PERIODS.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	RESP-IRATORY.		NON-RESP-IRATORY.		RESP-IRATORY.		NON-RESP-IRATORY.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1 AND UNDER 5 YEARS.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 AND UNDER 15 YEARS.	-	3.	-	1.	-	-	-	-
15 AND UNDER 45 YEARS.	3.	1.	10.	1.	1.	4.	1.	-
45 AND UNDER 65 YEARS.	2.	-	1.	1.	-	-	1.	2.
TOTALS.	5.	4.	11.	3.	1.	4.	2.	2.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS 1925, NOR WAS ANY ACTION NECESSARY UNDER SEC. 62 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1925.

#### LABORATORY WORK.

THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS WERE EXAMINED BY THE COUNTY BACTERIOLOGIST:-

MILK SAMPLES, BACTERIOLOGICAL.....	449.
SWABS FOR DIPHTHERIA.....	16.
SPUTA FOR T.B.....	40.
SEWAGE AND WATER EXAMINATIONS.....	51.
BLOOD FOR WASSERMANN TEST.....	6.
URINE, GEN. AND BACT.....	8.
BLOOD COUNTS.....	1.
MILK FOR PHOSPHATASE TEST.....	18.
MISCELLANEOUS.....	37.
URINE FOR T.B.....	3.
TOTAL.	629.

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE

YOUR OBEDIENT SERVANT,

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

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JULY 1948.



